

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS, HISTORY OF  
IN THE HOUSE**

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**SJR 1.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty.

Author(s): Campbell; Menéndez; Uresti; Zaffirini

House Sponsor(s): Button; Fallon; Geren; Raymond; Turner

Companion document(s): **HJR 86; HJR 88**

Received from the senate 656. Read first time 3152. Referred to Ways & Means 3152. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 4004. Read second time 4470. Adopted 4470. Record vote (RV#1670) 4470. Signed in the house 4804.

**SJR 2.** Applying to the Congress of the United States to call a convention under Article V of the United States Constitution for the limited purpose of proposing one or more amendments to the constitution to impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, to limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and to limit the terms of office of federal officials and members of Congress.

Author(s): Birdwell; Bettencourt; Campbell; Creighton; Hancock; Huffines; Perry; Seliger; Taylor, Larry

House Sponsor(s): Burns; Larson; Miller; Price; Zerwas

Companion document(s): **HJR 39**

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**SJR 6.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional.

Author(s): Zaffirini

House Sponsor(s): Schofield; Thompson, Senfronia

Companion document(s): **HJR 45**

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**SJR 27.** Proposing a constitutional amendment repealing county authority to provide for manual labor poor houses and farms.

Author(s): Taylor, Van

House Sponsor(s): Springer

Companion document(s): **HJR 103**

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**SJR 34.** Proposing a constitutional amendment limiting the service of certain officeholders after the expiration of the person's term of office.

Author(s): Birdwell

House Sponsor(s): Geren

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**SJR 36.** Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting a tax on the sale or purchase of water at wholesale.

Author(s): Perry

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**SJR 38.** Rescinding certain applications made by the Texas Legislature to the United States Congress to call a national convention under Article V of the United States Constitution for proposing any amendment to that Constitution.

Author(s): Estes

House Sponsor(s): Darby

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**SJR 42.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation real property leased to certain schools organized and operated primarily for the purpose of engaging in educational functions.

Author(s): Taylor, Larry

House Sponsor(s): Murphy

Companion document(s): **HJR 34**

Received from the senate 2189. Read first time 2455. Referred to Ways & Means 2455. Committee report filed with committee coordinator 3156.

**SJR 43.** Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the use of state funds to pay for the obligations of a local public retirement system.

Author(s): Huffman

Companion document(s): **HJR 85**

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**SJR 51.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that the eligibility of open-space land for ad valorem taxation on the basis of its productive capacity does not end because an oil and gas lessee begins conducting oil and gas operations on the land if the land otherwise continues to be devoted to farm, ranch, or wildlife management purposes or timber production.

Author(s): Estes

House Sponsor(s): Darby

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**SJR 54.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a municipal charter amendment election to be held on certain election dates.

Author(s): Taylor, Larry

House Sponsor(s): Faircloth

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**SJR 55.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the effect of a sale of property on the tax lien on the property to secure the payment of ad valorem taxes, penalties, and interest imposed on the property as a result of the addition to the appraisal roll of property or property value that was erroneously exempted in a prior year.

Author(s): Hinojosa

Received from the senate 2514. Read first time 3152. Referred to Ways & Means 3152.

**SJR 60.** Proposing a constitutional amendment establishing a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan, establishing certain authorized lenders to make a home equity loan, changing certain options for the refinancing of home equity loans, changing the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit, and allowing home equity loans on agricultural homesteads.

Author(s): Hancock

House Sponsor(s): Guerra; Lambert; Longoria; Parker; Raymond

Companion document(s): **HJR 99**

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